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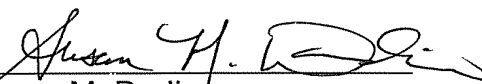
Sir:

On February 15, 2005, Applicants filed a Submission of Certified Copy of Priority Document that included a certified copy of the foreign priority document (Japan 2001-101821) for which priority was claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. In view of this submission, the Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge that the submission of the priority document was made by Applicants on February 15, 2005.

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